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The Honorable George Bush
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President,

Along with millions of our fellow citizens I was sickened at the sight of your emissaries in the Capital City of China toasting those whom the "New York Times" this morning calls the "butchers of China". Not only are their hands bloodied by the June massacre in Tiananmen Square but also your representatives shook those hands on the very day that the Dalai Lama was receiving one of the world's highest honors. How ironic that the United States, which should be proclaiming freedom for all the world, should bow down before the brutes who have crushed Tibet and murdered their own youth. I am outraged and feel betrayed.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Leahy

Archbishop Emeritus of Newark